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- WO 02/070801 A1 as discussed on Page 1 of the specification.
- WO 03/018891 as discussed on Page 1 of the specification and further cited in the International Search Report under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1, 16 and 17.
- U.S. Patent 6,158,367 discloses an apparatus and method for automatically orienting hosiery articles for closing toe ends thereof. The reference has been cited under Category X as being relevant to International claims 17 - 23.

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